

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department – Certain irregularities committed in regularization of services of Junior Assistant-cum-Bill Collectors in East Godavari District –Disciplinary action initiated against Sri K.Gowaripathi, District Panchayat Officer (Retd.) East Godavari District-Inquiry conducted – Charges proved – Inquiry conducted –Show Cause Notice Issued –Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission concurrence -Imposing the penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.56

Dated : 22/01/2015.

Read the following:-

1. From the General Admn. (V&E) Deptt. Vigilance Report No.170, dt. 30.12.2006.
2. G.O.Rt.No. 1136, PR&RD (Vig.IV) Deptt. Dated 26.07.2008.
3. Written statement of defense from K.Gowripathi, the then DPO., East Godavari District dt. 11.09.2008.
4. G.O.Rt.No.933, PR&RD (Vig.IV) Deptt. Dated 28.05.2012.
5. From the G.A.(COI.P) Deptt. D.O.Ir.No.190/COI.P/2012-3, dated 11.01.2013.
6. Memo.No.9502/Vig.IV/A1/2007, dt. 23.05.2013.
7. Representation of Sri K.Gowripathi, the then DPO., East Godavari Dist. (now retired) 19.07.2013.
8. Memo.No.9502/Vig.IV/A1/2007, dt. 16.01.2014.
9. Representation from Sri K.Gowripathi, the then DPO., (Retd.) dated 19.02.2014.
10. Govt. Letter No.9502/Vig.IV/A1/2007, dated 13.03.2014.
11. From the Secretary, APPSC., Lr.No.334/RT/1/2014, dt. 25.03.2014.

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ORDER :-

In the reference 1st read above, the General Administration (V&E) Department after conducting a detailed enquiry on the allegations of certain irregularities committed in regularization of services of Junior Assistant Cum Bill Collectors in East Godavari District has recommended the Government to initiate departmental action among others on Sri K. Gowripathi, the then District Panchayat Officer, East Godavari District who were involved in the said irregularities.

2. After examine the report of the General Administration (V&E) Department, the Government vide reference 2nd read above, have framed Article of charges against Sri K.Gowripathi, the then District Panchayat Officer, East Godavari District (now retired) under Rule 20 of AP. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and called for his Written Statement of Defence on the charges framed against him. He had submitted his Written statements of defence denying the charges framed against him in the reference 3rd read above.

3. After examining the Written statement of defence submitted by the Charged Officer besides other charged officers involved in this case, Government have decided to entrust the case to the Commissioner of Inquiry. Accordingly, orders have been issued appointing Dr.Premchand, IAS (Retired), Member Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiry Authority to enquire into the charges framed against Sri K.Gowripathi and other (29) charged officers who were involved in this case in the reference 4th read above.

4. In the reference 5th read above, the Inquiry Authority has submitted its report stating that all charges are proved on the basis of documentary and oral evidence adduced in the case against all the Charged Officers including Sri K.Gowripathi, District Panchayat Officer (Retired) East Godavari District except certain charged officers.

5. In the reference 6th read above, the copy of the enquiry report has been communicated to the charged officer i.e Sri K.Gowripathi, the then District Panchayat Officer (now retired) calling for his representation on the findings of the Inquiry Authority. He had submitted his explanation for denying the finding of the inquiry authority and requested to drop further action against him in the reference 7th read above.

6. After examining the representation to the findings of the Inquiry Authority against Sri K.Gowripathi, the then District Panchayat Officer, (Retired), Government have provisionally taken decision to impose a penalty of 5 % cut in pension permanently against him. Accordingly a show cause notice has been issued to him under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980, calling for his explanation on the proposed punishment to be imposed on him in the reference 8th read above.

7. In the reference 9th read above, Sri K.Gowripathi, the then District Panchayat Officer, East Godavari District (now retired) has submitted his explanation to the show cause notice and requested to reduce the proposed punishment i.e., 5 % cut in pension permanently against him. After, examining the matter, Government have addressed the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission in the reference 10th read above, to obtain Commission's concurrence on the proposed punishment of 5% cut in pension permanently against him.

8. In the reference 11th read above, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission have agreed to the proposal of the Department to impose the penalty of 5 % cut in pension permanently on Sri K. Gowripathi, the then District Panchayat Officer, East Godavari District (now retired).

9. Government after careful examination hereby decided to impose the penalty of 5 % cut in pension permanently on Sri K. Gowripathi, the then District Panchayat Officer, East Godavari District (now retired) under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly Government hereby impose the penalty of 5% cut in pension against Sri K.Gowripathi the then District Panchayat Officer (Retd) East Godavari District.

10. The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. K.S. JAWAHAR REDDY
Secretary to Government

To
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment, Hyderabad
The individual (through the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment, Hyderabad)
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Nampally, Hyderabad.
The Accountant General, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Secretary, A.P Vigilance Commission, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad.
The General Administration(V&E) Department, BRK Bhavan, Hyderabad.
The Panchayat Raj and Rural Development (Estt. VI) Department.,
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